RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER** 

FEB 1 6 2006

3040 Post Oak Blvd, Suite 1500 Houston, TX 77056-6582 TEL 713.623.4844 FAX 713.623.4846

Patterson & SHERIDAN, LLP ----- ATTORNEYS AT LAW

# **FACSIMILE COVER SHEET**

DATE:

February 16, 2006

FILE NO:

ROC920000331US1 (IBM2K0331)

TO:

MAIL STOP AF

Examiner Sargon N. Nano

**FAX NO:** 

1-571-273-8300

FROM:

Gero G. McClellan / Joseph Jong

PAGE(S) with cover:

II

RE:

TITLE:

DYNAMIC STORAGE SPACE LINKING

U.S. SERIAL NO.:

09/837,389

FILING DATE:

April 18, 2001

INVENTOR(S):

Garvey et al.

**EXAMINER:** 

Sargon N. Nano

GROUP ART UNIT:

2157

CONFIRMATION NO.:

7672

Attached are the following document(s) for the above-referenced application:

Response To Final Office Action Dated December 16, 2005.

### **CONFIDENTIALITY NOTE**

The document accompanying this facsimile transmission contains information from the law firm of Patterson & Sheridan, L.L.P. which is confidential or privileged. The information is intended to be for the use of the individual or entity named on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, be aware that any disclosure, copying, distribution or use of the contents of this faxed information is prohibited. If you have received this faxsimile in error, please notify us by telephone immediately so that we can arrange for the retrieval of the original documents at no cost to you.

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

PATENT

FEB 1 6 2006

App. Ser. No.: 09/837,389 Atty. Dkt. No. ROC920000331US1

PS Ref. No.: IBM2K0331

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Garvey et al.

Serial No.: 09/837,389

Confirmation No.: 7672

Commination No.. 707

Filed: April 18, 2001

For: DYNAMIC STORAGE SPACE

LINKING

തതതതതതതതതതത

Group Art Unit:

2157

Examiner:

Sargon N. Nano

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

#### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mall in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to fax number 571-273-8300 to the attention of Examiner Sargon N. Nano, on the date shown below:

February 16, 2006

Date

Joseph M. Jong

## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 16, 2005

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 16, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 16, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. While no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 09-0465/ROC920000331US1 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

A listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Page 1

436398\_1